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SUBJECT: Consultative Letter, AFRL-HE-WP-CL-1998-0035, Pharmacokinetic Data for Iodide Uptake Inhibition in the Thyroid by Perchlorate

- 1. The Operational Toxicology Branch has performed two pharmacokinetic intravenous dosing studies with adult male Sprague-Dawley rats.
 - a. Study_1- Rats were dosed once by intravenous tail vein injection with 33 μg/Kg of non-radiolabeled iodide and ¹²⁵I mixed in physiologic saline. Rats were killed at selected times (n=6 per time point) up to 24 hours. Total and free ¹²⁵I were measured in serum, thyroid, and urine. This is called a control study. Another control study is underway.
 - b. Study_2- Rats were dosed once by intravenous tail vein injection with either 0.01, 0.1, 1.0 or 3.0 mg/Kg of cold ammonium perchlorate mixed in saline. Perchlorate was administered as ammonium perchlorate dissolved in physiologic saline and was expressed as mg perchlorate/kg body weight. Two hours after dosing with perchlorate the rats were dosed by intravenous tail vein injection with 33μg/Kg ¹²⁵I dissolved in saline. Rats were killed at selected times (n=6 per time point) up to 24 hours. Total and free ¹²⁵I were measured in serum, thyroid, and urine. Perchlorate serum, thyroid, tissue and urine analyses will begin in January 1999.
- 2. Inhibition of ¹²⁵I uptake into the thyroid was best demonstrated for measurement of bound ¹²⁵I in the thyroid at 2, 6, and 9 hours after dosing with ¹²⁵I (Fig. 1). This corresponds to 4,8, and 11 hours, respectively, after dosing with ammonium perchlorate. The most pronounced inhibitory effects were found at the 1 and 3 mg/kg perchlorate dose groups. However, the trend of ¹²⁵I inhibition is evident at the lower dose groups (0.1 and 0.01 mg/kg). By 24 hours after dosing with ¹²⁵I (26 hours after dosing with ammonium perchlorate), the inhibitory effects of perchlorate on ¹²⁵I uptake in the thyroid were still observed in the 1 and 3 mg/kg perchlorate dose groups. Table 1 provides the percent inhibition of ¹²⁵I uptake as measured by bound ¹²⁵I in the thyroid for 2, 6, and 9 hours after dosing with ¹²⁵I (4,6, and 11 hours after dosing with ammonium perchlorate). Perchlorate induced inhibition of uptake of ¹²⁵I in the thyroid as measured by bound ¹²⁵I was 82, 55, 29, and 11% at 9 hours after dosing with ¹²⁵I for the 3, 1, 0.1, 0.01 mg/kg dose groups, respectively.

- 3. Fig. 2 shows the inhibition of ¹²⁵I uptake into the thyroid by perchlorate as measured by free ¹²⁵I in thyroid. Inhibition is best demonstrated at 9 and 24 hours after dosing with ¹²⁵I for the 0.1, 1 and 3 mg/kg dose groups.
- 4. The amount of bound ¹²⁵I in serum was elevated in perchlorate dosed animals compared to controls (¹²⁵I dosed rats) for up to 6 hours in all dose groups. Elevated bound ¹²⁵I was observed in serum for up to 9 hours in the 0.01 mg/kg dose group (11 hours after ammonium perchlorate dosing) (Fig. 3). These data suggests that thyroid function was altered by perchlorate and a transient "discharge" of organified ¹²⁵I occurred. Free ¹²⁵I levels in serum were similar between perchlorate-dosed rats and control ¹²⁵I-dosed rats (Fig. 4).
- 5. Recover of ¹²⁵I in urine 24 hours after dosing with ¹²⁵I was between 79 to 88% for control ¹²⁵I-dosed animals and perchlorate dosed animals. The control ¹²⁵I -dosed rats excreted 79.5% (SD±5.50) of their ¹²⁵I dose in urine over a 24-hour period. The 0.01, 0.1, 1.0 and 3.0 mg/kg perchlorate dose groups excreted 87% (±7.84), 86% (±4.47), 87.8 %(±20.20) and 79.3(±10.58), of their ¹²⁵I dose in urine, respectively, over a 24-hour period.

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Attachment

Four Figures and one Table

Inhibition of Iodide Uptake by Perchlorate in the Thyroid Gland

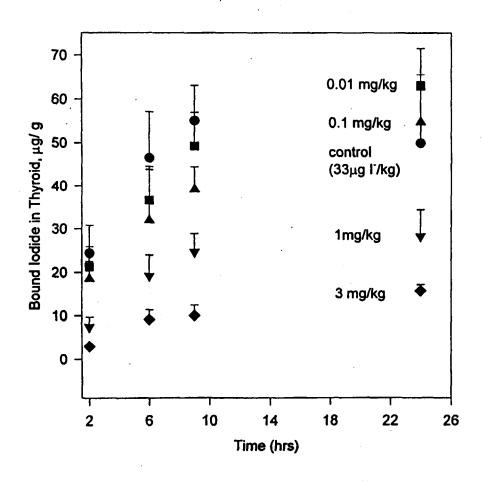


Fig. 1

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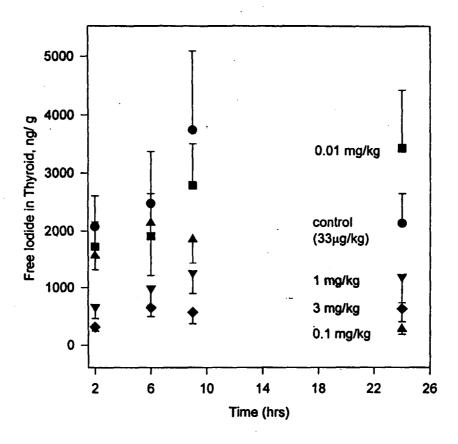


Fig. 2

[Bound iodide] in serum of SD rats dosed with Perchlorate

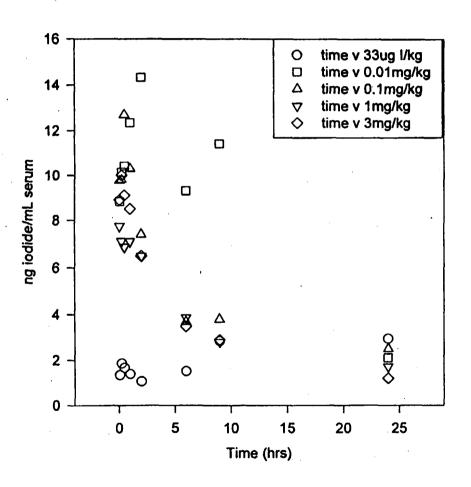


Fig. 3

[Free iodide] in serum of SD rats dosed with Perchlorate

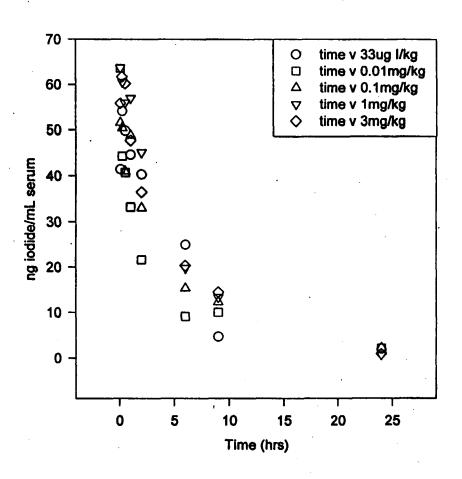


Fig. 4

Table 1. Percent inhibition of iodide uptake in the thyroid gland of SD rats dosed with perchlorate.

Time points	Dose mg perchlorate/ kg	[iodide] μg/g	% of inhibition
2 h	Control*	24.4	•
	0.01	21.3	13
	0.1	18.6	24
	1	7.4	70
	3	2.99	88
6 h	Control*	46.5	-
	0.01	36.7	21
	0.1	32	31
	1	19.2	59
	3	9.13	80
9 h	Control*	55	•
	0.01	49.2	11
	0.1	39.2	29
	1	24.7	55
	3	10	82

^{*}dosed with only iodide (33µg/kg).